

REMARKS

Claims 1 and 3-21 are now pending in the present application.

Claim 1 is amended to contain the limitations of original claim 2. Claim 2 is canceled. Claim 3 is amended to depend from claim 1.

The application is believed to be in condition for allowance. Notice thereof is respectfully requested.

Claim Rejections - 35 USC § 103

Claims 1 and 6 are rejected under 35 U.S.C.103(a) as being unpatentable over Ayrolles U.S. Pat. No. 5,564,987 in view of LaPointe et al. U.S. Pat. No. 5,171,000.

The rejection is rendered moot by amendment of claim 1.

Allowable Subject Matter

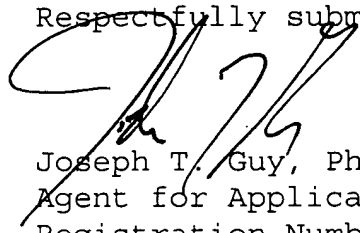
Claims 2-5 and 7 were objected to as being dependent upon a rejected base claim. The objection is rendered moot by amendment of claim 1.

Claims 8-21 were previously in condition for allowance.

CONCLUSIONS

Claims 1 and 3-21 are pending in the present application.
All claims are believed to be in condition for allowance.
Notice thereof is respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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